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The Honorable Joel Hefley
Chairman
Subcommittee on Readiness
Committee on Armed Services
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6035

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed is a notification of intent to initiate design for Department of the Army military construction project in compliance with 10 USC 2807.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph W. Whitaker".

Joseph W. Whitaker
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Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Solomon P. Ortiz
Ranking Member



NOTIFICATION OF THE INTENT TO INITIATE DESIGN FOR PROPOSED MILITARY
CONSTRUCTION PROJECT (10 USC SECTION 2807)

Department of the Army proposes to authorize the obligation of funds for design of the following military construction project:

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Fort Lewis	Estimated Cost of Design:	\$ 2,040,000
Whole Barracks Renewal PN 55197, FY 2007	Estimated Cost of Construction:	\$34,000,000

Project will construct a barracks complex and dining facility. This project will replace existing barracks and provide housing for 228 enlisted personnel in accordance with the Whole Barracks Renewal program. Existing barracks were constructed in 1957 and have gang latrines and multiple person rooms with inefficient layouts. The plumbing and heating systems are rapidly deteriorating. If not provided, soldiers will continue living in barracks lacking authorized living space, security, and privacy as required by current Army standards. Plumbing, heating and other utility systems will continue to deteriorate resulting in more frequent repairs, possible systems failure, and jeopardized health and life safety. Quality of life, morale, and readiness will be increasingly impacted.